



**Consulate General of the
United States of America**

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POLICE CLEARANCE CERTIFICATES

All Immigrant Visa applicants age 16 and over are required to present Police Clearance Certificates from EVERY country in which they have resided for one year or more and from their home country, as detailed below:

Indian Citizens Age 16 and above, Residing In India:

- All Indian IV applicants aged 16 and above, residing in India, should obtain police certificates from the local passport office.

Indian Citizens Age 16 and above, Who Live Outside of India:

- Indian passport holders applying for visas outside India should obtain a statement from their local embassy or consulate confirming they have no criminal record.

Non-Indian IV applicants Residing In India:

- Non-Indian IV applicants residing in India should obtain police certificates from the District Police Station serving their area of residence.
- Indian police certificates are not available for foreign (non-Indian) applicants applying outside India.

All Applicants Who Have Resided In Any Other Country for One Year or More:

- All Immigrant Visa applicants who have resided in any country outside of India for 12 months or more while age 16 or over are required to present a police clearance certificate from that country, even if it is their home country. For additional information, see: <http://intranet.ca.state.gov/visas/reciprocity/9868.aspx> To find information for the country in which you lived, click on letter at the top that represents the first letter of the country in which you lived. For details on how to obtain a police clearance certificate, please contact the nearest Consulate or Embassy of the country in which you have lived.

NOTE:

- Police certificates are valid only for 12 months from the date of issuance.
- Police certificates are not required for applicants under the age 16.